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## THE SENATE

The newest enterprise of the students is a moot Senate of the United States, the preamble of which recites the purposes in the following English to wit: "We, the undersigned, in order to promote patriotism, to participate in parliamentary practice, and to enter into the discussion of questions of the day embracing the widest possible range, do hereby adopt the following rules."

The first meeting was given over to organization which consisted of the election of temporary chairman and clerk, and the choosing of states. A. F. Whisnant was elected temporary chairman and from this stepping stone crossed easily to the high position of Vice President of the

United States. Prof. Bird was elected temporary secretary. Prof. Smith guided the Ship of State as it launched forth by putting a list of 48 states on the black board and also a list of the principal committee of the Senate. Each participant was then given opportunity to say whether he would be a Jayhawker, a Sucker, a Wolverine, Missourian or some other type of senatorial aristocrat. Upon a slip of paper the name of the committee that each one preferred to serve on was designated and then the election of officers took place. Hon. A. F. Whisnant of Ark. was chosen Vice President, Smith of New Mexico was

elected Chief Clerk, M. Gill of Wyoming was elected Pres Pro. Tem., E. Healy of Maine was made Journal Clerk, and B. E. Sites of Oklahoma was chosen Sergeant at Arms.

Some doubt was raised about the number of senators to be chosen from one state and was settled by vote that only one be permitted until all the states were chosen after which a second senator would be allowed to each one. One senator wanted permission to choose a state and then choose a colleague but the august body denied the right, it being the general opinion that colleagues were to be "Thrust upon them" instead of being chosen.

There is no lack of woman's nursing the pet theories of the times, and while no suffragette demonstrations appeared there was plenty of material for such. The girls intend to be a factor. California and many of the states of the northwest are represented by them.

The following is a list of Officers:  
V. P. of U. S. ... A. F. Whisnant  
Pres. Pro. Tem. ... M. Gill  
Chief Clerk..... C. J. Smith  
Journal Clerk .... E. Healey.  
Serg't. at Arms ... B. Sites

One hundred thirty four bound magazines from the State printing office were received at the library last week and are being placed on the shelves.



## EVERY SCHOOLROOM A PORCH.

Movable Sashes an Essential, Dr. Woods Hutchinson Says.

Woods Hutchinson A. M., M. D., in Good HouseKeeping for January.

No school should or can, now be considered complete that does not include in addition to the building a large play ground, a school garden, swimming pool, and a group of sheds and shops. The most important and vital part of a school is not its house but its grounds. At first sight the expense of such a plan would appear to be prohibitive, but in reality it is far from being so. It would cost money, of course like everything under the sun that is worth having but in small towns and country districts this additional expense would be comparatively slight; while in larger towns and cities quite an appreciable share of the additional money needed for the grounds could be saved on the building.

The ideal schoolhouse is not a magnificent architectural triumph nor a monument for future generations with the solidity and immovability of an asylum or a prison, but an extensively constructed, light, roomy day nursery, never exceeding two stories in height, with broad staircases, wide hallways, and at least one-third to one-half the wall space of each room in the shape of movable window-sashes or shutters, so that it can be converted into a porch or shed in fine weather.

Thoughtful students of the health of the child agree coming to the same conclusion as experts have come to, in regard to hospitals for tuberculosis, that every dollar spent in constructing a building in excess of \$150 a patient, is wasted—and worse! From a sanitary point of view whatever is spent above a certain minimum sum upon a building is spent in overcoming its defects

as a building and keeping it light, airy and sunny enough for human use.

Let us get rid of the "busy foolishness" of examinations as wasteful and unnecessary as digging up plants to see if the roots are growing properly. Any teacher who after nine months of intimate association with a child, can't tell whether he is capable of passing on to the next grade without an examination ought to resign and get into some other trade. Substitute some form of test showing the mental power and grasp for our present standards of mere cubic capacity. Forbid by law the carrying of school books home at night, leaving the evening hours for the free and spontaneous development of boys' and girls' own tastes for literature, science, experiment, craftsmanship, music and wholesome amusements. Make the home a part of the school and the school part of everyday life and all outdoors contribute to the child's education.

## Y. W. C. A.

The girls had their regular meeting Wednesday afternoon Jan. 24 May Gill being leader. The lesson was taken from the seventh chapter of Matthew.

Miss Agnew talked to the girls her subject being Character Building. She also read to us from a book entitled, "Character Building the Greatest In The World." She gave us some very good ideas and the way in which we can thank Miss Agnew and show our appreciation is by putting them to practice.

The regular meeting on Jan. 17 was led by Miss Prue Morgan. Sketches from Margaret Sangster were read and discussed and a very interesting hour was spent. These readings and discussions are especially helpful because of the fact that many can get the benefit of the reading of a single individual.



### Kansas Day Program.

The general exercise period on Monday Jan 29 was devoted to a Kansas Day program given by the students of the Model school. The program was gotten up on short order but each one that appeared, acquitted himself very creditably. The special exercises by the eighth grade was very pleasing. The boat that glided quietly across the stage was so realistic that many fancied they could hear the splashing of the oars, but all were awakened from their fancies the next moment at the explosion of the gas from the gas well that was being drilled.

The program follows:

Kansas ..... Thelda Campbell  
 Kansas Day (Walt Mason)  
 ..... Richard Bissing  
 A Kansas Storm Lawrence Miller  
 Song by School.. Kansas My Home.  
 From Kansas.... Carl Adams  
 The Call of Kansas, Carrie Wagner.  
 Kansas Wind .. Alice Craig  
 A Madrigal of Kansas Felix Bissing  
 Kansas Weather Wm. Shutts.  
 Homesick ..... Flora Troth  
 Exercise by the 8th grade .....  
 The Gates Ajar.. Minnie Leiker.  
 What constitutes a State.....  
 ..... Norman Main.  
 A Toast to the Kansas Teacher .....  
 ..... Leo Stock  
 Kansas ..... Elva Goodwin

The program closed with America sung by the entire audience.

### SUCCESS

He has achieved success who has lived long laughed often and loved much, who has gained the trust of pure women, the respect of intelligent men, and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy a perfect poem, or a rescued soul;

who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty nor failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a benediction.

Bessie A. Stanley.

### H. S. vs. Normal

The curtain raiser between H. S. and Normal seconds was a good exhibition of the game. The Normal understudies started the scoring and then slacked up while the H. S. chalked up nine. The passing of the H. S. was excellent and hard to break up. Toward the end of the half the normals began to hit a faster pace and showed flashes of real form. The half ended 13 to 10 with H. S. swinging on the big end. In the second half the Normal kept crawling up on the H. S. and finally succeeded in pulling down the High Schools lead and took it herself. The final score was 19 to 16 in Normals favor.

### Lineup

Normal	High School
Stock, Davis	F Chittenden
Gatewood, Mock	F Miller
Winchester	C Kohl
Spencer	G Brummitt
Terrill, C. Bice	G Hall, Wilson.

Why does Dora Groff's genial smile seem so much broader this week? That's easy—she's Auntie now—her brother Joe, a former student is the proud father of a big boy.

You can find a large variety of the best reading in the library now, as high as seventy five periodicals are received regularly.

The new agricultural high school building begins to look like the real thing now. The roof has been put on and the windows set in.



Esther in speaking of the ease with which she forgets Latin remarked that she was doubtful as to whether she could go thru "amo, or not where upon she was assured that it would come to her in time.

Some of the people who joined the Senate did so on the assurance that there would be "pairing off.

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### Crises in Kansas History (Karl Noll)

The epochs in the History of Kansas marked with many great calamities and disasters.

Kansas was part of the Louisiana Purchase. It was early inhabited by four Indian tribes. The story of their migrations and wars concerned the early settlers very much.

A removal policy was taken up as early as eighteen twenty four and the Indians were removed to other states and assured permanent homes. The Indians did not molest the settlers until eighteen hundred sixty seven when the Cheyennes penetrated the state murdering and robbing as they went. They murdered the women and children in Ottawa,

wa, Mitchell and Republic countys. Upon hearing of the raid Governor Crawford went by special train to Salina placed himself at the head of the company and followed the trail of the Indians.

Governor Crawford moved the nineteenth to fort Hays in March and they kept the open field all winter and were mustered out again in April. This was the last time so large a regiment was called to rebel or pursue the Indians.

The Cheyennes departed for their old home in Indian Territory, taking their women and children with them but they were watched very closely all the way to see that no more damage was done by them. It was reported that there were forty white persons killed in this raid.

The Indian appears in the history of Kansas as a grim and unhappy figure he has left no good thoughts nor even any good traditions concerning him. He left Kansas as he found it and was a great menace to the settlers along the border fighting the advancement of civilization with the ferocity of a wild beast.

He left the land which had been his home for many generations not even beautifying it with a single structure that would bring back sweet memories to present inhabitants, of the thoughts and actions of this early race.

The greatest calamity came when Senator Douglas introduced the Kansas Nebraska bill.

The author declared that his motive framing was to give the power of settling the slave question to the settlers instead of congress.

The centre of this most perilous conflict was soon transferred to Kansas. The north began to organize emigrant aid societies, such as the Union organized in Washington. The issue was joined the states south of Missouri worked to make Kansas a



slave state. The emigrant aid society with the northern part of the United States supporting it represented freedom.

The advocates of slavery wanted to establish a human bondage in a new country. They failed as they had no means of accomplishing their end except by force.

The free state men attacked the Proslavery headquarters at Franklin wounding several of its defenders and taking a large amount of the munitions of war.

Later the Proslavery men attacked Osawatomie which was defended by John Brown. In this conflict his son Fredric was killed. This is the first place that John Brown appeared in the conflict of which he afterward became such a great leader.

The disturbance of Osawatomie was ended with a treaty. Brown wanted no treaty. On the twenty-fourth of May five Proslavery men were killed. It was thought that John Brown was an accomplice in this. He acknowledged to his son that he approved of it.

From this time forward John Brown kept the field. He never joined himself with the masses of the Free State party but he always kept the woods, attacking and being attacked.

Brown was captured at one time and his party was treated so severely that his son became insane. Later Brown captured Gen. Pate and soldiers but treated them with humanity.

We next find Brown in Massachusetts legislature imploring for the suffering people of Kansas, telling about their robberies, fire, smoke and desolation.

After the return of this eastern visit he made a raid into Missouri

taking fourteen slaves and going to the north with them.

On one Sunday night John Brown and eighteen others captured Harpers Ferry which he held only one day. For this Brown was taken to prison and the death sentence was placed upon him. His cause was great his motives were honest. He was the right man for the place only it was not the right time so he failed but failure did not mean defeat. John Brown is held in remembrance by all Kansans. Eugene Ware the Kansas poet has stated in his poem that "John Brown began and lost but losing won."

So we pass from this period of the great contention of Slavery or Free State to a period after Kansas became a state.

The story of Quantrill's raid has been written many times. It is one of the most dreadful events in all of the History of Kansas. The story is too awful to tell in detail.

It is wonderful that a town which served as a rendezvous for soldiers should upon that particular morning have no military force for its defense.

Kansas has been a stage for the old tragedy in history, that of martyrdom to a principle of right which had been played with such brutality during the middle ages.

Only by studying the great crises in the history of her earlier days can we realize what hardships our forefathers have had to endure to make this great state of Kansas what she now is.

A number of "Pinafore" people enjoyed an hour or two on the ice after practice Monday evening.



**CLUB NOTES.**

Lester Poland, James Johansen, Mr. McGlassen and Rosa Mills are no longer club boarders.

Miss Leifer, Mr. Luther, Ruth. Cul-lens and Margaret Melburn are new boarders at the club.

Donald says he is so sorry he did not go to the skating party Tuesday night. He does not give a reason.

Say, we actually had ice cream for supper Monday night.

Some of the club members account for their sleepy looks in the morning by laying it to Pinafore practice.

Why is May Steed not like the cat?

Because she didn't come back. (Lahman says that is no joke from his point of view.)

Miss Verna Parkhurst a graduate of this school and whom many now in school remember graduated from the Colorado Springs Business College this winter and has secured a position at Cheyenne, Wy.

Mr. Cuthbert Sr., the State architect is here this week overseeing the work on the new building.

**LITERATI.**

The following program was given in Literati Hall, Friday evening Jan 19, 1912.

Piano solo.. Kathryn Walz.

Recitation.. Margaret Evans.

Reeading.. Neva Bell

Duet Miss Chand'ler Miss Healy.

**Recess**

First Session of Congress held at W. K. S. N. Question under discussion: Bill No. 99,999, otherwise known as the Razorback Resolution. Be it resolved by the Senate that the U. S. appropriate \$10,500,000,000 to scrape the Rocky Mountains in to the Pacific Ocean for the purpose of extending the Territory of the United States.

Literati Society met Wednesday and elected officers for the following

term as follows: Pres. Lily Moore, Vice Pres. C. L. King, Sec. Estelle Street, Serg't at Arms Leo Bice.

**FORUM D. C.**

The club was called to order by chairman, Noll. Each member was called upon to give his opinion about possible candidates for the presidency without regard to political parties. The talks were very interesting and the opinions of most of the members were somewhat the same. After every member had expressed his opinion an extemporaneous debate was given. The question for debate was Resolved, That a third term for president is undesirable. Both sides presented strong arguments and the debate was very lively. In several instances Mr. Noll used his power as chairman, some accused him of railroading.

**Ellis Y. M. C. A. vs. Normal.**

This hard fought game followed the H. S. vs. Normal second and the whole story is told in a few words. At the close of the game Normal was in the lead with a score of 103 to 5.

**The Lineup**

Ellis	Normal.
Payne	F. Frankenger
Underhill	F. Leo Bice
Martin	C. Nielsen
Vose	G. Vernon Bice
Loflin	G. Reed
	Carmen, F. and G.

Winchesteer broke all previous records as a sprinter when he made the dash from the Normal to the Creek last Monday morning. Great was his reward.

The following new students entered school this term.. Gertrude Lynd, Harriett Leefers, Arthur Luther, Ellen Behan, Francis Meyer and Hazel Howie.

Prin. Picken attended a meeting of the Board of Regents at Topeka last week.



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Those who are lovers of Charles Dickens will have many of his famous characters brought to mind by the following quotations.

I am well aware that I am the 'umblest person going—let the other be where he may.

David Copperfield.

'Umble we are, 'umble we have been, 'umble we shall ever be.

David Copperfield.

My life is one demd horrid grind.

Nicholas Nickleby

Nobody ought to have been able to resist her coaxing manner; and nobody had any business to try. Yet ssehnever seemed to know it was her manner at all. That was the best of it.

Mart in Chuzzlewit.

A man who could build a church as one may say by squinting at a sheet of paper.

Martin Chuzzlewit.

Barkis is willin'!

David Copperfield.

In came Mrs. Fezziwig, one vast substantial smiles.

Christmas Carol.

Mrs. Crupp had indignantly assured him that there wasn't room to swing a cat there; but as Mr. Dick justly observed to me, sitting down on the foot of the bed, nursing his leg, "you know Trotwood, I don't want to swing a cat. I never do swing a cat. Therefore what does

that signify to me!"

David Copperfield.

"Wal'r, my boy," replied the captain; "in the Proverbs of Solomon you will find the following words: 'May we never want a friend in need, nor a bottle to give him! When found, make a note of.'"

Dombey & Son.

Whatever was required to be done the Circumlocution Office was before hand with all the public departments in the art of perceiving how not to do it.

Little Dorrit.

Janet! Donkeys!

David Copperfield.

### Chafing dish Party.

Miss Arrasmith entertained a few of her friends at a chafing dish party Tuesday evening. Oysters were served after which a box of sweet meats was indulged in. The first part of the evening was spent in guessing contests after which Miss Arrasmith invited the girls for a quiet moonlight stroll.

The guests Miss Cloud, Miss Law and Miss Groff are indebted to Miss Arrasmith for one of the most pleasant evenings of the season.

Jas. Johansen went to Pittsburg last week to do advanced work in Manual training.

Mr. Heinzman, the State Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. will address the Normal students next Friday morning.



# **Western State Normal School**

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Prof. Tilford—How do you make this entry: Paid cash to B. F. Butler?  
Miss Forkner—Credit Cash.  
Prof. Tilford—And what do you receive?  
Miss Forkner—B. F. Butler's name.

Ask King for his basis for judging age.

The same timid couple that were seen consulting the minister in his study recently, transacted some business at the court house last Friday evening. There is evidently a case on, the further development of which will be carefully noted and reported in the next issue.

Prof. Smith (to his class.) How many of you have ever seen a ground hog?

After a pause, up comes a hand in the black of the room.

Very well, Miss Crisman, tell us what a ground hog look like  
Annie—Sausage.

Prof. Shively—To what instinct can you trace the tendency of the feet to get restless when a lively tune is being played.

Donald—The war dance.

Clifford Bennett of 1910 has joined the ranks of the married men according to latest reports. The name of the bride is as yet unknown to us but Clifford has a host of friends here and elsewhere who will join in wishing him and his bride a long and happy life. The Leader extends congratulations and best wishes.

Some say that King doesn't attend Y. M. C. A. anymore but has joined a branch of the Y. W. which meets at the Club every Sunday afternoon

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